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## Governor Huntsman Announces Great Salt Lake Advisory Council

**Salt Lake City** – Utah Governor Jon Huntsman traveled to Antelope Island State Park this morning and signed an executive order creating the Great Salt Lake Advisory Council. This entity will be charged by Governor Huntsman with conducting a comprehensive evaluation of the entire Great Salt Lake, specifically looking at the long term viability of the Lake and its entire ecosystem.

"We have an amazing resource in the Great Salt Lake that offers a very diverse set of opportunities for our citizens," Governor Huntsman said. "This Great Salt Lake Council is a unique collection of people who now need to chart a course for how to best utilize all the features of the Lake."

Governor Huntsman has appointed individuals representing the different areas of the Lake to begin this process. He asked the group to submit an initial recommendation by the end of this year.

"We need to get away from piecemeal management and create an integrated long-term vision for this tremendous asset," Governor Huntsman said.

Great Salt Lake Advisory Council Members:
State Senator Dan Eastman
Representative Ben Ferry
Neka Roundy, Kaysville Mayor, Davis County Economic Development
Colleen Johnson, Tooele County Commissioner
Bill Fenimore, Wild Bird Center
Dr. Bonnie Baxter, Westminster College
Corey Milne, Great Salt Lake Minerals
Don Leonard, Utah Brine Shrimp Industry
Wilf Sommerkorn, Salt Lake City Planning Director
Dave Livermore, The Nature Conservancy
Lynn DeFreitas, Friends of the Great Salt Lake
Leland Myers, South Davis Sewer District

A copy of the executive order is attached to this news release.